

**DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
DELTA COLLEGE BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, T. Lane, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, B. Baker, P. Clark, L. Govitz, P. Graves, P. Groulx, T. Grunow, D. Halog, E. Husband, J. Knochel, T. Kubatzke, D. Lutz, J. Miller, S. Montesi, C. Morley, M. Mosqueda, L. Myles-Sanders, V. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, P. Seidel, J. Stahl, A. Ursuy, B. Webb
- PRESS PRESENT** A. Dotson (Bay City Times), J. Hall (WSGW)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for comments from the public.
- Pat Groulx of Bay County made two comments. He said that he feels that there needs to be more seating for handicapped students on the campus. P. Groulx also said that he is frustrated with the Financial Aid Office and suggested that more individuals be hired to help with the workload.
- R. E. Selby said that Mr. Groulx called him directly and that he encouraged Mr. Groulx to appear at a Board Meeting with his concerns.
- ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting of July 14, 2009. K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to accept to the minutes. T. Lane seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted as submitted.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** D. Lutz informed the Board that at the end of July, the College remains in a healthy financial position. The College is continuing to work to close the books for fiscal year 2008-09. Due to increased enrollments, College revenues have exceeded projections. This has resulted in a positive variance in both enrollment and tuition and fee revenue. Additional surpluses in the budget are a result of position vacancies and the dollars reserved in the account for doubtful funding.
- FINANCE
BA4788** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the selection of Sugar Construction, Inc. of Midland to furnish all labor and materials to complete the construction of Materials and General Storage buildings, based on their bid of \$227,740. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion passed unanimously.
- COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE
BA4789** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve naming of the Delta College Q-TV studio in honor of Frank N. Andersen. This would be in recognition of the \$746,920 pledged by the Frank N. Andersen Foundation for the renovation of that particular facility. This recommendation is in accordance with the "Delta College Policy for Naming
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College Facilities and Programs”, and has already been reviewed by the Delta College Foundation Board of Directors. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS --PRESIDENT'S
REPORT – GIFTS TO THE
COLLEGE**

Dr. Goodnow reported the following contributions for July 2009: the Foundation received \$27,915.00; Delta Public Broadcasting received \$20,352.00; for a monthly combined total of \$48,267.00.

**PRESIDENT'S
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Registration for fall semester is underway. As of August 11, 2009, 10,217 students have registered (4,629 have enrolled in 12 or more credits, 5,588 have enrolled in 11 credits or less).
- Dr. Goodnow distributed two articles from the *Saginaw County Business Advocate*. The articles discuss the changing labor market and the solar industry in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Both articles feature information regarding Delta College's contributions in these areas.
- Dr. Goodnow said that she would like to appoint a President's Advisory Committee that will be comprised of 18 community leaders representing our 3 counties. The Advisory Committee would serve as a sounding board for the President, engage in environmental scanning, and provide prospective and input on future programs to meet the needs of our community.

Dr. Goodnow asked each Trustee to recommend the names of 4 community leaders from their county that they feel should serve on this Advisory Committee. Dr. Goodnow said that she would choose 2 of the individuals that each Trustee recommends.

The Trustees provided Dr. Goodnow with feedback on this idea. R. Emrich said that he has an issue with this group being a permanent entity. The President's primary advisors should be the Board of Trustees.

T. Lane said that he has a minor concern. He said the members wouldn't necessarily be traditional community leaders but instead we could look for other people that can help guide us. For example, a high school senior would be able to provide the President with insight.

E. Wacksman suggested a change in the name. K. Lawrence-Webster agreed, citing a name such as "Community Advocacy Committee" as an example.

J. MacKenzie said that he doesn't like the idea at all. Dr. Goodnow thanked the Trustees for their input and said that she would rework the idea and bring it back to the

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Board in the future.

- Based on the Trustees' feedback at the last meeting, Dr. Goodnow updated her goals for the 2009-10 year to include a goal on assessment. She passed out a copy of the updated goals and asked the Trustees to provide her with feedback in the next 2 weeks.
- J. Goodnow recommended that the Delta College Board of Trustees adopt a resolution to support President Obama's American Graduation Initiative. R. Emrich made a motion to adopt the resolution with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.
- Learning Days 2009 will take place from August 25-August 27, 2009. This year's theme is "Learning to Lead, Leading to Learn."

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TRUSTEE COMMENTS

K. Higgs discussed some of his thoughts regarding the case of Mahaffey v. Delta College. R. Emrich said that these items should be discussed in closed session. R. E. Selby made a motion to go into closed session with support from T. Lane.

CHAIR COMMENTS

K. Houston-Philpot said that each Trustee has received a copy of J. Goodnow's evaluation results. In addition, K. Houston-Philpot asked the Trustees to provide J. Goodnow with feedback on her goals in the next 2 weeks.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved and supported to go into closed session for the purpose of consulting with counsel regarding specific pending litigation (Mahaffey v. Delta College). The vote was 8-1 to go into closed session with a roll call vote as follows:

- R. Emrich - Yes
- K. Houston-Philpot – Yes
- K. Higgs - No
- T. Lane - Yes
- K. Lawrence-Webster - Yes
- J. MacKenzie – Yes
- R. E. Selby - Yes
- R. Stafford - Yes
- E. Wacksman - Yes

The closed session ended at 9:23 p.m.

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BA4791**

R. Emrich made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Michigan Community College Risk Management Authority with support from T. Lane. The motion passed with a vote 8-1 with a roll call vote as follows:

R. Emrich - Yes
K. Houston-Philpot – Yes
K. Higgs - Yes
T. Lane - Yes
K. Lawrence-Webster - Yes
J. MacKenzie – Yes
R. E. Selby – No
R. Stafford - Yes
E. Wacksman - Yes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Houston-Philpot adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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